

1857 COMMENCEMENT

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This year Otterbein College, founded in 1847, celebrates the one hundredth anniversary of the first graduating class (1857), which consisted of two women—Sara June Miller and Mary Kate Winter.



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the EDITOR'S corner

Alumni and friends of Otterbein will be interested to know that the Advertising Council of America which has carried out a number of public service campaigns in the past, is now engaged in a public service advertising campaign for higher education this year and next. The object is to make the American people aware of the great importance of higher education to national and personal life, to draw attention to the needs and problems of higher education, and to suggest that action be taken.

A typical advertisement being used in the current public service advertising campaign appears on the opposite page. We hope you will be on the alert to read, hear, or see these messages in newspapers and magazines and on radio and TV. It is designed "to create in the American public a greater awareness of its stake in our institutions of higher learning, and to stimulate it to provide increased financial support to them." Of course, Otterbein alumni and friends can do this by supporting and contributing to Otterbein College.

the COVER page

The cover page photograph shows the style of dress worn by Miss Miller, one of the first graduates of Otterbein, and the program of the exercises, Wednesday, June 24, 1857. The commencement exercises in 1857 were held in a tent, since the Chapel could not accommodate the crowd.



*"Her stately tower
speaks naught but power
For our dear Otterbein"*

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The Association

ACTIVE ALUMNI CLUBS

BUFFALO

Alumni and friends of Otterbein in the greater Buffalo area met on Saturday evening, February 9, for dinner. There were twenty-four in attendance. The group elected officers and decided to plan meetings every three months. The club also took action to sponsor a concert in Buffalo by the Women's Glee Club on Saturday, March 30. Officers elected are: Dr. Donald Martin, '37, president, and Mrs. Georgia Turner Mehl, '42, secretary-treasurer.

CANTON

The Otterbein Women's Club of Canton donated \$300 to the college for the purchase of a multiboard display case to be used in the Otterbein Room of the library. Historic photographs can now more easily be displayed, thanks to this generous gift.

CLEVELAND

When the Men's Glee Club was in Cleveland, Saturday, March 2, the alumni club there arranged a dinner meeting at the Calvary E.U.B. church for members of the club and alumni. Larry Marsh, '31, was general chairman of the committee which planned the delightful affair.

After dinner, Carl C. Byers, '32, was toastmaster of the program, which included greetings from the college by Professor L. L. Shackson and Mr. Arthur L. Schultz, Director of Public Relations. The Men's Glee Club presented a brief concert for the assembled alumni and also participated in group singing of the traditional college serenade songs. A fellowship period followed the evening's program. Miss Margaret Oldt, '36, is president of the Cleveland Alumni Club.

DETROIT

New officers were elected when the Detroit Alumni Club met on March 9 at the home of Mrs. Ray Swartz, '36, in Birmingham, Michigan. The new president is

Dr. Gerald Rosselot, '29, and the new secretary-treasurer is Mrs. Frank Van Sickle, '42.

This club voted to make a \$25.00 annual award to an outstanding Otterbein student in the field of drama. It will be given yearly as a memorial to alumnus George Bechtolt, '25, who was interested in drama.

MIDDLETOWN

The appearance of the Otterbein A Cappella Choir in Middletown on Saturday, March 16, provided an opportunity for the alumni club in that city to meet. Approval was given to a new club constitution presented by Ralph Knight, chairman of a special committee. New officers elected are: President, Robert Moore, '54; 1st Vice President, to be selected by the executive committee; 2nd Vice President, Rev. E. H. Hammon, '27; Secretary, Mrs. L. H. Bremer, '39; Treasurer, Dr. Mabel Gardner, '08.

NORTHERN INDIANA

The Northern Indiana Otterbein Alumni Club will hold its annual banquet Friday, May 17, at the Honeywell Memorial Building in Wabash, Indiana. Vice President R. F. Martin, '15, will be the featured speaker and represent the college.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

When the alumni club of Southern California met last November, Dr. A. H. Weitkamp, '04, described and showed slides of the Weitkamp Observatory and Planetarium, which was dedicated last June. Stanley Kurtz, x'29, a junior high school music director in the Los Angeles schools, directed group singing and sang two solos, accompanied by his wife.

During the visit of Dr. and Mrs. Lyle J. Michael in the Los Angeles area, Dr. and Mrs. Donald S. Howard, '25, (Bernice Norris, '27), entertained a group of alumni with a buffet supper. Mrs. Francis M. Pottenger, Jr. (Elizabeth Saxour, '25), assisted the hostess.

WESTERVILLE

The Westerville Otterbein Women's Club held their annual guest night dinner on Saturday, March 2, in Barlow Dining Hall. Mrs. John Becker, '50, (Marian Havens), was general chairman of the committee planning the affair. Mrs. Donald Hanawalt, '41, (Rita Kohlepp), is president of the group.

Dr. Mabel E. Gardner, '08, Middletown, Ohio's first woman physician was honored as the "Woman of the Year" by the club. This is an annual award made by the Women's Club to an outstanding Otterbein alumna who has achieved success and distinction in some way.

Following graduation from Otterbein, Mabel Gardner entered Ohio Miami Medical College, now the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. She and Dr. Helen Ratterman of Cincinnati made college history by being the first two women graduates there.

After internship at Women's and Children's Hospital in Chicago, she began her work in Middletown as a general practitioner. Four years later she specialized in obstetrics and gynecology. More than 4,000 infants have been introduced into the world by her since that time.

Dr. Gardner's accomplishments include serving as assistant clinical instructor in the University of Cincinnati Medical School, chief of the obstetrics staff and instructor of nurses at Middletown Hospital, and past president of the American Medical Women's Association.

Many honors have been accorded this Otterbein graduate. In 1926, Dr. Gardner was admitted as a fellow in the American College of Surgeons. In July, 1954, she became the first woman in Ohio to receive the Blackwell Award, an honor presented annually by the American Medical Women's Association.

In November, 1955, she was named "Medical Woman of the Year" by the Southwestern Ohio Branch of the American Medical Women's Association. In October, 1956, she was presented the National Award of Merit by the Middletown D.A.R. Recently, Dr. Gardner was the recipient of the Middletown Sertoma Club "Gift of Roses" for more than 40 years of service to the community.

A trustee of Otterbein College since 1933, Dr. Gardner has also received the honorary L.H.D. degree from Otterbein, and in 1954 the Alumni Association awarded her its Distinguished Alumni Award "in recognition of 40 years of outstanding service to humanity through the ministry of healing."

Following the presentation of "The Woman of the Year" award by the Westerville Otterbein Women's Club, Dr. Gardner spoke to the assembled group on the subject "Looking Forward."

CLASS OF 1907

Members of this class have already received letters from the committee planning the fiftieth anniversary reunion. Dr. E. W. E. Schear is chairman of the committee, which is composed of Mrs. Maude Truxall Burtner, Mrs. Mary Weinland Crumrine, and Mrs. Orla Bale Hartman.

The class will be guests of the alumni association at the noon banquet, June 1, and receive a special award. Following the banquet, the class is invited to the home of Dr. Schear.

CLASS OF 1912

Charles R. Hall, president of the class of 1912, announces that plans have been formulated for the 45th reunion of that class. He writes: "The celebration will start with a buffet supper at the home of Ralph W. Smith, 79 E. College Avenue in Westerville on Friday, May 31 at 6:30 p.m. All members of the class and their wives and husbands are not

only invited but urged to attend.

"After the Grand March up to the tables filled with appetizing, tasty food, you can just sit and eat and rock and roll out those big stories. They get bigger at every reunion. Just think of it—registration — matriculation — exams — commencement — love affairs — matrimony — kids born and reared — grandchildren bragged about — chivalrous escapades — and one grand big gab fest all in one evening. It will go on for hours. No charge — it is to be on your alumnal class president and chairman of the 45th anniversary reunion."

Members of the class will have a reserved table at the annual alumni banquet on Saturday noon, June 1. A letter will be sent to class members, with a return card to make a definite reservation.

CLASS OF 1917

Plans have been laid for the 40th reunion of the class of '17, according to Elmo Lingrel, '17, general chairman. The tentative program calls for a special table at the Alumni Banquet on Saturday noon, June 1.

Following the banquet, the class will adjourn to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gifford, x'17, 162 W. Home Street, where an afternoon of "gab festing" will be the attraction. Members of the class are urged to make reservations for the alumni banquet through the college Alumni Office.

CLASS OF 1927

Plans for the 30th anniversary reunion of the Class of '27 are in the hands of Robert Snively, according to class president, Wayne V. Harsha.

Bob announces that the class will have a reserved table at the Saturday, June 1 noon banquet of the Alumni Association. This will be followed by an open house at the Snively home, 34 W. Broadway Avenue in Westerville.

A letter with more details will

be sent to class members early in May. A large attendance of class members is expected.

CLASS OF 1932

Class president William Botts has appointed Everett Whipkey, chairman, Ernestine Little Lenahan, and Ilajeane Wales Axline as a committee to make elaborate plans for the 25th anniversary of the class of '32.

Already the committee is making arrangements for a 10:00 a.m. coffee hour, June 1, in the Association Building. This will be followed by attendance at the Alumni Banquet in Barlow Hall at 12:00 noon, with a special reserved table for class members and spouses.

Details will be announced later relative to a mixer and reunion following the banquet in the afternoon. Make plans now to attend.

CLASS OF 1937

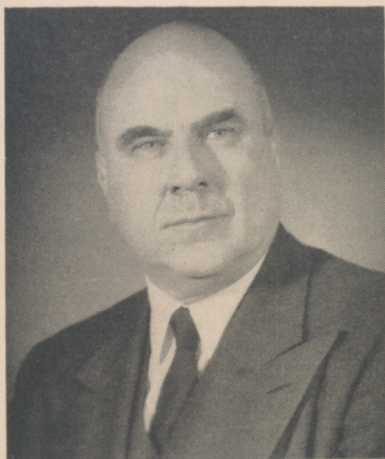
Ronald Lane, president of the class of 1937, announces that a committee has been appointed to make plans for the twentieth reunion of that class. Bill Steck is chairman of the committee, which is composed of Paul Gorsuch, Mrs. Virginia Hetzler Weaston, Mrs. Sally Kelser Steck, and Mrs. Jane Wagner Lehtaranta.

This class will also have a reserved table at the alumni banquet. Further plans will be announced by the committee.

CLASS OF 1947

A tenth anniversary reunion is being planned for the class of 1947. Paul Swartz, class president, announces that a committee composed of Sylvia Phillips Vance, Chairman, Marion Chase, Jeanne Bilger Gross, Richard Himes, Mary Cay Carlson Wells, and Waid Vance are arranging details.

The class will have a reserved table at the alumni banquet Saturday noon, June 1. A letter giving details and providing reservations will be sent to all class members.



J. Gordon Howard, '22

In the 1956 Homecoming issue of Otterbein Towers we discussed four ways that young people, while at home and attending high school, can be prepared for college. At that time space did not permit consideration of spiritual preparation.

The chief reason for the existence of a Christian college is that there may be inspiration for spiritual growth along with a first-class academic program. However a college cannot accomplish its spiritual mission alone. It must have the cooperation of the homes and local churches from which students come.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

College teachers became discouraged at the meager background which young people have in knowledge of the basic beliefs of the Christian religion. Too many young people remember little of what supposedly they have been taught at home or Sunday School. College teachers must begin on an elementary level and they cannot get very far into the fundamentals and significant truths of a Christian life philosophy. So let us say first of all, that in preparing young people for college there is need for more effective religious instruction in the home and the local church.

RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE

Second, let us remember that the religious life should be an experience that continues to grow and expand. There are no plateaus where one should stop and take it easy. The quest for God is a steady and hard climb that allows for no indifference or indolence.

Parents and pastors must not be surprised when young people come home from college with new religious ideas and fresh spiritual attitudes. They should be disturbed if a young person comes home with no evidence of new religious thinking. Parents and pastors should be glad for spiritual growth and expect those marks of progress which begin in childhood, continue through adolescence and proceed through college days into adulthood.

Otterbein's President Says

INDEPENDENT THINKING

Third, we must realize that when young people depart from the parental nest and leave the familiar habitat of the local church, in their new-found spiritual freedom at first they may go to extremes. Once the pendulum of independence starts to swing, it goes the full arc.

College students often seem radical and unconventional in their beliefs, and they are likely to announce the fact in no uncertain terms. But if patience is exercised by adults and the college offers wholesome religious instruction which is meaningful at the college age, the swing of the pendulum tends to settle down rather quickly to a reasonable span. Parents and pastors should be relatively shock-proof.

With the passing of time will come maturity of spiritual thought and action.

SPIRITUAL NEEDS

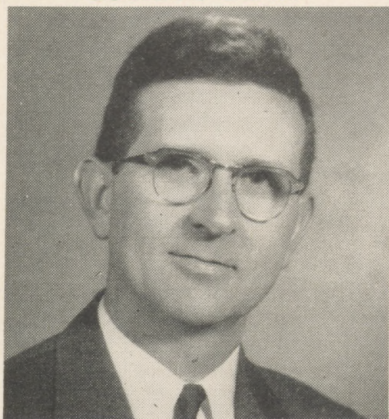
Fourth, a college has a real problem in trying to satisfy all the spiritual needs of a wide variety of students. The religious views of students stretch from extreme conservatism to extreme liberalism. How shall each student retain that which is good in the old and at the same time reach forward for that which is good in the new? A fully satisfactory answer to this problem has not been found. Most colleges try to keep worship and religious instruction somewhere near the middle of the road with the hope that those who walk on either edge will receive at least some benefit. However, certain individuals will be missed in this process even though everyone has the best of intentions. Young people should be prepared to be tolerant, therefore, of religious expressions which are somewhat new to them, and they should be encouraged to find that which is helpful in what the college has to offer.

Having said all this it is clear a Christian college has no easy task in measuring up to its high calling. A college cannot stuff religion into spiritual mouths like so much mashed potatoes. There must be a hunger for God and this hunger must be satisfied according to individual needs and interests. Furthermore the ability of the student to digest a spiritual diet during college days to a great extent depends on how well he has been nourished during childhood and youth at home and in the local church.

The home, the local church and the college have a mutual task of paramount importance. In many ways this task has been accomplished satisfactorily in the past, but all concerned must strive to do better in the future.

J. Gordon Howard

COLLEGE DEAN



C. H. Connor, '40

Dr. C. H. Connor, '40, presently Admissions Counselor at Otterbein, was elected Dean of the College by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. He will begin his new duties July 1.

A native of Orbisonia, Pennsylvania, Dr. Connor spent one year as a public school teacher in Virginia before entering the military service. Following his service in the army, he earned a Master's degree from the University of Virginia in 1947.

Prior to his return to Otterbein, Dr. Connor was Dean and Registrar at Shenandoah College, Dayton, Virginia, from 1947 to 1956. In 1955 he obtained the Doctor of Education degree at the University of Virginia. He is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, educational fraternity and Eta Phi Mu, social fraternity.

He was president of the Virginia Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. He was also a member of the Virginia state board of Education Committee for the Study of Student Teaching, 1953-54.

In his new duties, Dr. Connor will coordinate the curriculum and the academic program of the college.

DEAN OF MEN



Marion C. Chase, '47

Professor Marion C. Chase, '47, was elected Dean of Men by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees and will assume his duties July 1.

A Professor in the Speech and Dramatics Department at Otterbein since 1950, he earned a Master's degree at Ohio State University in 1951 and is pursuing further graduate work toward the doctorate. In 1949, he did graduate work at Northwestern University.

Chase taught speech and dramatics at Marion (Ohio) Harding High School from 1947 to 1949 and at Linden-McKinley High School, Columbus, in 1949-50.

As a student at Otterbein, he was the president of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, the Interfraternity Council, and Cap and Dagger, and was selected one of the four representative seniors. He is a native of Duke Center, Pennsylvania.

COMPOSED ORGAN MUSIC

Dr. Paul Frank, professor of piano and theory in the music department, has received word that his organ composition, "Offerstory," has been accepted for publication by Summy Publishing Company. It will be included in one of the two "Albums of American Organ Music," to be published in the near future.

Faculty Doings

On SABBATICAL LEAVE

Dr. Lyle J. Michael, '19, Chairman of the Division of Science and Mathematics and head of the Chemistry Department at Otterbein, is on sabbatical leave during the second semester to visit representative industries and laboratories and some colleges and universities through the southern and western sections of the United States. He will be studying current applications of chemistry and observe the curricula in the schools visited. During the summer, he plans to visit plants in the mid-west and eastern sections of the country.

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Dr. David D. Burks, Professor of History and Government at Otterbein since 1952, has been granted a year and a half leave of absence to serve as a Foreign Service Reserve Officer for the State Department in Washington, D. C.

Foreign Service Reserve Officers are a group of temporarily employed specialists brought in by the government to deal with unique problems in the State Department. Dr. Burks will do intelligence research in the field of Latin-American affairs. He will return to Otterbein in the fall of 1958.

NEW PROFESSOR

Professor John Gauntlett, recently a graduate student in Political Science at the University of North Carolina, has been elected to the college faculty to instruct the classes formerly taught by Dr. Burks.

Gauntlett is a graduate of the University of Missouri and received his master's degree from Columbia University. He has been working on his Ph.D. degree at the University of North Carolina. He has worked for the State Department in Damascus and previously taught in high school and college.

The Students

REPRESENTATIVE SENIORS

The senior class elected four of its members Representative Seniors. The seniors were asked to vote for the four persons who, in their judgment, had contributed the most to their class and to the college in all phases of college life. The four selected were Elaine Ellis, Baltimore, Md.; Sally Gordon, Springfield, Ohio; Bob Henn, Brookville, Ohio; and John Howe, Ashland, Ohio.

DRILL TEAM

The drill team of the Otterbein Air Force R.O.T.C. unit was in Washington, D. C., April 1 to 3, attending the annual Cherry Blossom parade and competing in the nationwide R.O.T.C. drill team contest.

MUSIC CLUB TOURS

The Women's Glee Club, under the direction of Professor L. L. Shackson, made a concert tour through northern Ohio, northwestern Pennsylvania, New York, and Canada during the spring vacation.

Also traveling during the spring vacation period was the A Cappella Choir, under the direction of Professor Robert Hohn. They journeyed to Massachusetts, presenting concerts in eastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania on the way.

One of the featured works of the choir program this year is a choral composition by Dr. Paul Frank of the Otterbein faculty, "Years Of The Modern," the words by Walt Whitman. It was especially composed for the one hundredth anniversary of Otterbein's first graduating class.

Earlier in the year the Men's Glee Club took a trip through northern Ohio.

LENTEN SPEAKERS

Mondays during Lent featured four special chapel services, with the following guest clergymen preaching: Rev. G. L. Fleming of the First E.U.B. Church, Findlay, Ohio; Rev. Harry Kruener, Dean of the Chapel at Denison University;

Dr. Lance Webb of the Broadway Methodist Church, Columbus; and Rev. E. H. Hammon, '27, of the First E.U.B. Church, Middletown, Ohio.

MISS TAN AND CARDINAL

Hylda Mosier, a blonde, blue-eyed freshman coed from Dayton, Ohio, and a member of Owls sorority, was chosen "Miss Tan and Cardinal of 1957."

PLAYHOUSE PRESENTATION

The Cleveland Play House players presented TIME LIMIT on the Cowan Hall stage, Tuesday, March 26.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Alan Norris, senior editor of the TAN AND CARDINAL, student paper, received a \$7200, three-year scholarship to New York University's School of Law.

FOUR FRESHMEN

The Junior Class sponsored "The Four Freshmen", a well-known popular quartet, on Wednesday, March 20.

MAY DAY

May Day activities are scheduled for Saturday, May 11. Events will get under way at 10:30 A.M., when the queen will be crowned with appropriate ceremonies. Other activities of the day include a baseball game with Wittenberg in the afternoon and a play, "Angel Street," in the evening.

MAY DAY COURT

Four attractive coeds were selected by the student body to be members of the May Day royalty. The women, according to tradition, have been chosen from the junior class. They are Emily Bale, Westerville; Joanne Klenk, Cincinnati; Judy Lovejoy, Johnstown, Pa., and Marilyn Wiles, Lexington. All are members of Owls sorority except Joanne Klenk, who is a member of Arbutus. The queen's identity will be kept secret until the band-shell ceremony.

CROWNED WINTER PRINCESS

Miss Barbara Fast, a senior from Haviland, Ohio, and a member of Owls sorority, was crowned the Winter Princess at the Winter Homecoming festivities, Saturday, February 2.

Her attendants were Shirley Booher, Maid of Honor from Sidney, Ohio, and a member of Talisman sorority, and Astrida Salnais from Dayton, Ohio, and a member of Greenwich sorority.

The selection was made by the Varsity "O" Club. The crowning ceremonies took place at the intermission of the basketball game with Wittenberg. The princess was crowned by the retiring Princess, Lois Kauffman, '56, a physical education teacher in West Carrollton, Ohio.

Seated in front of Queen Barbara Fast below are: left to right, Astrida Salnais, Shirley Booher, and retiring queen, Lois Kauffman, '56.



Sorority Life At Otterbein

The six local social sororities at Otterbein are now comfortably located in their own club room in Clements Hall. Approximately 95% of the college women belong to a sorority.



SIGMA ALPHA TAU

Originating in 1910, Sigma Alpha Tau, or Owls sorority, is the oldest sorority.



TAU EPSILON MU

Tau Epsilon Mu, or Talisman sorority was organized in 1915.



THETA NU

Otterbein's third oldest sorority, Theta Nu, was organized by five charter members in 1917 and was nicknamed Greenwich.



TAU DELTA

Tau Delta was founded in 1921, the first year that social Greek organizations were recognized on Otterbein's campus.



EPSILON KAPPA TAU

The Arbutus Club, now Epsilon Kappa Tau sorority, was founded in 1918.



KAPPA PHI OMEGA

Kappa Phi Omega, known as "Onyx," the sorority's stone, was founded in 1921.

THE CONTRIBUTION OF WOMEN



Dean Joanne VanSant

Dean of Women Joanne VanSant announces that the Founders' Day ceremonies on April 25 will commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of Otterbein's first graduating class, which contained two women. Emphasis will be placed on the contribution of outstanding American women to the educational field.

FOUNDERS' DAY SPEAKER

Mrs. Christine Y. Conaway, Dean of Women at Ohio State University for the past twelve years, will be the featured speaker at the 9:45 A.M. Founders' Day ceremony.

Nationally recognized as a leader in the field of student personnel and guidance, Dean Conaway will be honored with a Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

Born and reared in Columbus, Ohio, Dean Conaway earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees from Ohio State. After her husband's death in 1937, Mrs. Conaway returned to the university to become assistant to

the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and later was named acting secretary of the college. She has held her present position as Dean of Women since February, 1944.

Mrs. Conaway is a past president of the National Conference on College Fraternities and Societies, a vice president of the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors, and a member of the executive committee of the American College Personnel Association.

Three Otterbein alumnae will also be honored with the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters at the Founders' Day service, April 25.

RACHEL BRANT

Miss Rachel Brant, '30, Director of Children's Work for the Board of Christian Education of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, will receive one of the honorary degrees.

Following graduation from Otterbein in 1930, Miss Brant took graduate work at Columbia University, New York University, and Oberlin School of Theology. She was a teacher in weekday religious education for ten years in Bucyrus, Ohio, prior to becoming national director of Children's Work in 1940.

She has done many articles for the various periodicals of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, as well as considerable writing of religious education materials in the children's field for the Board of Christian Education. She is the author of numerous pamphlets and last

summer completed the writing of a book entitled *Children's Work In The Local Church*. She is a native of Cambria County, Pennsylvania, and the Western Pennsylvania Conference.

VERDA EVANS

Verda Evans, '28, assistant supervisor of English in the Cleveland public schools, will also receive an honorary degree.

Educated in the schools of Navarre, Ohio, and a graduate of Alliance, Ohio, High School, Miss Evans was active in Quiz and Quill, the student council, TAN AND CARDINAL, and SIBYL yearbook staff while she was a student at Otterbein.

Following her graduation from college, she served two years as secretary to the President of Otterbein before taking a position as an English teacher at Central High School, Euclid, Ohio. In 1934, she became an English and Journalism teacher at John Adams High School, Cleveland, and continued in this position until 1947, when she was elected chairman of the English department at East High School, Cleveland. For the past two years, Miss Evans has been Assistant Supervisor, Division of English, for the Cleveland Public Schools.

She is a past president of the Journalism Association of Ohio Schools, as well as past president of the Greater Cleveland Association of Journalism Advisors. She is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Verda Evans has written articles in numerous scholastic

Dean Christine Y. Conaway

Rachel Brant, '30

Verda Evans, '28

Nettie Lee Roth, '15



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journals and magazines. Last year she was co-author of a high school English textbook entitled *Using Your Language*, published by the McGraw-Hill Book Company. She is a member of the First E.U.B. Church of Canton, Ohio.

NETTIE LEE ROTH

Nettie Lee Roth, '15, late principal of Roosevelt High School, Dayton, will be awarded an honorary doctor of humane letters degree posthumously.

In 1915 she graduated from Otterbein where she was the school's first student cheer leader. She earned her master's degree at Ohio State University and did further graduate work at Columbia University.

She spent a total of thirty-four years at Roosevelt High School in Dayton. She became assistant principal in 1923 and was elected principal in 1948. She was the first woman to be appointed principal of a Dayton high school. She was also the first woman to be elected chairman of the Board of Control of Athletics of the Dayton Board of Education, a position she held at her death.

Always active in community affairs, Miss Roth was one of the leaders in organizing the first Neighborhood Council in Dayton. Since that time, such councils have been organized in the Dayton Metropolitan area.

She was a member of the Soroptomist Club and of two honorary fraternities, Delta Kappa Gamma and Phi Lambda Theta. She was an active member of the Dayton First E.U.B. Church.

Otterbein had already planned to confer an honorary degree on Miss Roth prior to her untimely death on January 14. A new 1,800-pupil high school being built on Hoover Avenue in Dayton will be named for Nettie Lee Roth.



LECTURER ON SCHWEITZER

Marion Mill Preminger, a glamorous socialite who forsook the glitter of international society to work tirelessly for one of the world's great humanitarians, comes to Otterbein on Thursday, May 2. She will conclude the week of special observance on the place of women in higher education. She will speak about Albert Schweitzer and her work with him at his famous jungle hospital in French Equatorial Africa.

For years Mrs. Preminger was one of the socially prominent women of New York. Her name appeared regularly on all the "best-dressed women" lists; she was known on two continents as a famous hostess. Born the daughter of a Hungarian diplomat and French mother, she is American by choice.

Even as a schoolgirl, Mrs. Preminger was fascinated by Dr. Schweitzer's life. Later, when she studied philosophy, she wrote her doctor's thesis at the University of Vienna on Schweitzer, never dreaming that one day she would meet him in person. And it was not until 1950 that she met him in France, during one of his rare sojourns in Europe.

Mrs. Preminger followed Dr. Schweitzer to his jungle hospital in Lambarene, French Equatorial Africa, as a result of that fateful meeting. Since then she has regularly undertaken the pilgrimage to work with him a part of each year, sometimes for as much as five months at a time.

COLLEGE FOR WOMEN CHOIR TO GIVE CONCERT

The MacMurray College Choir of MacMurray College For Women, Jacksonville, Illinois, will present a concert in Cowan Hall on Saturday, April 27, at 7:30 P.M. The concert is in connection with the week of celebration at Otterbein highlighting the place of women in higher education.

Under the direction of Professor Henry E. Bushe, the fifty-six members of the choir are from fourteen states and two foreign countries. They will participate earlier that day in the program of the National Federation of Music Clubs, which will convene in Columbus on April 26 and 27.



Guest Speakers



BACCALAUREATE - - - - - C. Willard Fetter

Rev. C. Willard Fetter, pastor of The First Evangelical United Brethren Church, Akron, Ohio, will preach the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday, June 2.

Mr. Fetter, a graduate of Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pennsylvania, and United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, served pastorates at Petersburg, West Virginia, and Residence Park, Dayton, Ohio, and was on the staff of the Church Federation of Dayton and Montgomery County for one year before assuming the pastorate of the Akron First E.U.B. Church in 1945.

Mr. Fetter is secretary of student work for the Ohio East Conference and is a member of the General Commission on Social Action for his denomination. He is also a member of the Summit County Council for the Retarded Child, and for ten years has been a member of the Goodwill Industries Board of Directors in Akron. He is a member of Kiwanis and various Masonic organizations.



COMMENCEMENT - - - - - Milburn P. Akers

The commencement address for the one hundredth commencement exercises, June 3, will be delivered by Milburn P. Akers, executive editor of the Chicago SUN-TIMES.

Educated at McKendree College, Lebanon, Illinois, Mr. Akers has been a newspaperman for thirty-five years. He has worked on the St. Louis POST-DISPATCH, the ILLINOIS STATE REGISTER, Springfield, and on the Associated Press in Springfield, Ill., Chicago, and Washington, D. C.

Mr. Akers became political editor of the Chicago SUN upon its founding in 1941. He served in numerous capacities on the SUN, including posts as columnist, editorial writer, and managing editor.

He became managing editor of the SUN-TIMES in 1949, and in 1950 was appointed executive editor.

He is a trustee of MacMurray College for Women, Jacksonville, Ill., and of McKendree College.

In addition, Mr. Akers is Chairman, National Committee of Church Men for Church Colleges, National Council of Churches. He is also a member of the executive committee of the Associated Colleges of Illinois.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Friday, May 31

Meeting of Board of Trustees	1:30 P.M.
Phi Sigma Iota Picnic	6:00 P.M.
The Rosselots'	
Trustee Committee Meetings	7:00 P.M.

Saturday, June 1

Quiz and Quill Breakfast	8:00 A.M.
Cochran Hall	
Meeting of Board of Trustees	9:00 A.M.
Class Reunions and Alumni Banquet	12:00 N.
Dedication of Clements Hall	2:30 P.M.
Otterbein Women's Club Open House	
For Alumni and Friends	3:00-5:00 P.M.
Cochran Hall Parlor	
Observatory and Planetarium Program	9:00 P.M.

Sunday, June 2

Baccalaureate Service	10:00 A.M.
Rev. C. Willard Fetter, Speaker	
First E.U.B. Church	
Reception for Seniors and Parents	2:30-4:00 P.M.
President and Mrs. Howard	
Band Concert	4:00 P.M.
Carillon Recital	7:00 P.M.
Program by the Music Department	8:00 P.M.
Cowan Hall	

Monday, June 3

Commencement	10:00 A.M.
Milburn P. Akers, Speaker	
Cowan Hall	

PI BETA SIGMA 50TH ANNIVERSARY

A steering committee composed of actives and alumni are making plans for a gala celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Pi Beta Sigma fraternity. Fall Homecoming day, October 26, is the date set for the celebration.

Prospective plans include holding a large banquet, mass attendance at the football game, organization of a women's auxiliary, and conducting a memorial service for the deceased members of the fraternity.

Alumni of Annex are urged to make plans now to attend this 50th anniversary event. Reservations are to be sent to Jim Hook, 72 Plum Street. Everett H. Whipkey, '32, is general chairman of the alumni committee and Keith Leonard is president of the active chapter.

VARSITY TENNIS

Professor Don Hanawalt, '40, is coaching this year's tennis team at Otterbein.

John Howe, only letterman on the team, is the captain. Other members of the team are: Dale Crawford, Kenneth Handy, Charles Mohr, Charles Selby, Ronald Rankin, Lewis Shaffer, and Howard Weisz.

COUNTRY CLUB TO CELEBRATE

Plans are well advanced for observing the golden anniversary of Pi Kappa Phi or Country Club fraternity at the Fall Homecoming, October 26.

A general committee consisting of alumni and active members of the fraternity was appointed several months ago. Dr. J. R. Howe, '21, is chairman and Vance E. Cribbs, '20, is secretary.

Organized during the 1907-08 school year, Country Club has maintained its identity and campus standing throughout the last half-century. Today its graduates, numbering some five hundred, are scattered throughout the United States and abroad. It is believed by those promoting the anniversary observance that many will return, some for the first time in many years.

The fraternity plans a warm welcome for all and promises a reunion that will remain long a cherished memory.

Pi Kappa Phi (Country Club) fraternity recently celebrated a Parents' Day at the fraternity house. One of the results of the day was the organization of a Mothers' Club. Officers elected were: President, Mrs. Homer H. Hughes, Worthington, Ohio; Vice-President, Mrs. Jacob Elberfeld, Westerville, Ohio; and Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Claud C. Skaates, Westerville, Ohio.

1956-57 BASKETBALL SEASON

The 1956-57 basketball season ended with Otterbein on the losing side of the ledger. The Otters won two, defeating Hiram and Oberlin, while losing fifteen. The victory against Oberlin required two overtime periods to clinch. During the season, the Cardinals of Otterbein scored a total of 1094 points while their opponents were making 1353.

According to National Collegiate Athletic Bureau statistics, Stan Owens, first-string center, ranked fourth in the nation among small-college teams in total number of rebounds with an average of 21.4 per game. In the Ohio Conference he ranked first in rebounds and fourth in total points scored.

PRO FOOTBALL COACH

Bob Shaw, former Ohio State University All-American football player and a 1952 graduate of Otterbein, was signed early this month as end coach of the Baltimore Colts of the National Professional Football League.

He has been coaching at Cuyahoga Falls, (Ohio) High School. His mother is Mrs. Lucy Shaw, who operates the Otterbein Student Union snack bar.

SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE — 1957

BASEBALL				TENNIS			
Tue.	April 9	Wittenberg	Springfield	Sat.	April 27	Akron	Westerville
Sat.	April 13	Muskingum	Westerville	Sat.	May 4	Heidelberg	Tiffin
Tue.	April 16	Ohio Wesleyan	Westerville	Sat.	May 11	Cap-Denison	Granville
Tue.	April 23	Oberlin	Westerville	Wed.	May 15	Hiram-Muskingum	New Concord
Thurs.	April 25	Denison	Westerville	Sat.	May 18	Wittenberg	Springfield
Sat.	April 27	Capital	Columbus	Wed.	May 22	Capital	Westerville
Tues.	April 30	Ohio Wesleyan	Delaware				
Sat.	May 4	Marietta	Marietta	Wed.	April 10	Ohio Wesleyan	Delaware
Wed.	May 8	Heidelberg	Westerville	Sat.	April 13	Wooster	Westerville
Sat.	May 11	Wittenberg (May Day)	Westerville	Tues.	April 16	Muskingum	New Concord
Mon.	May 13	Muskingum	New Concord	Mon.	April 22	Muskingum	Westerville
Mon.	May 20	Denison	Granville	Wed.	April 24	Wittenberg	Westerville
Thurs.	May 23	Capital	Westerville	Wed.	May 1	Ohio Wesleyan	Westerville
				Fri.	May 3	Akron	Westerville
				Wed.	May 8	Capital	Westerville
				Fri.	May 10	Wooster	Wooster
				Tues.	May 14	Wittenberg	Springfield
				Thurs.	May 16	Capital	Columbus
TRACK							
Wed.	April 17	Ohio Wesleyan	Delaware				
		Triangular Meet					
Sat.	April 20	Wooster	Westerville				



HOME FROM RUSSIA—It was a happy reunion at the Columbus airport last summer when Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Fritsche, x'38, were met by their three children. Fritsche toured Russia for thirty days while Mrs. Fritsche toured continental Europe. Their children are Nealyn, 8, Billy, 2, and Roberta, 4. (Columbus Dispatch Photo.)

BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN

Over a hundred groups, clubs, and organizations in central Ohio have listened to a lecture and seen films taken by Otterbein alumnus, Ernest G. Fritsche, x'38, on a trip to Russia last summer. He was one of a fourteen-man delegation from the National Association of Home Builders which spent thirty days behind the Iron Curtain.

Last November he spoke and showed films in the college chapel. He has an amazing story to tell. He told of women laborers and of workers carrying coal up many flights of stairs to fire their cook stoves, to heat their small quarters, and to heat bath water. He also com-

mented on the use of inferior materials in housing projects in a nation noted for its mineral resources.

Fritsche said: "The Russian people awaken in the morning to public address system blasts telling them how happy they should be to be living in the Soviet paradise. There are public address systems on practically every street corner, and the Russian hears them literally morning, noon, and night. They have built intercommunication systems into their huge multiple housing units, and the same message is carried to the Russian when he is at home."

Mr. Fritsche took over 500 pictures and 125 rolls of colored

movies while in Russia. He said the Russians have made tremendous progress in education and science. Less than 20% of the Russians were literate thirty years ago; today there is virtually 100% literacy in Russia.

He feels that the Russian people sincerely want peace. They would beg of the Americans, "Peace, peace, peace; we want peace." During the second World War, many great cities were leveled to the ground, demolished, wiped away. Russia lost approximately twenty million people during the war, compared with approximately 300,000 by the United States.

Fritsche concluded: "All in all, the Russian people treated us nicely. They appeared to be impressed by and happy to see Americans."

COMPOSED CANTATA

Professor L. L. Shackson, chairman of the music department, has composed a short cantata for chorus, orchestra, and alto solo entitled "Noon: Amagansett Beach." The libretto is by a New York City poet, James Hall Wheelock, from his "Poems Old and New."

The work will be heard this spring in full performance by the Ohio State University Symphonic Choir and Orchestra. It will also be a part of this June's commencement concert at Otterbein.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The executive committee of the Board of Trustees at Otterbein has appointed a committee to make a study of the present and future education of women at Otterbein. The committee will consist of Miss Joanne Van Sant, Dean of Women, as chairman; Mrs. Mabel Joyce, Assistant Professor of Home Economics; Mrs. Elizabeth Johnston, Instructor in Music; Miss Marilyn Day, '53, Instructor in Physical Education; Mrs. Blanche Verbeck, Assistant Professor of Education; and Mrs. Ethel Shelley Steinmetz, '31, secretary to the Vice President.

Alumnus At Work In Peru



Dr. Robert B. Bradfield, x'50, Nutrition Advisor, U. S. Operations Mission to Peru, examining mote de maiz, a food used by the Indians of the high Andean mountains. The hat of the Indian woman is typical of this region. The hut in the background is where she does all her cooking. Fifty guinea pigs, existing on scraps, also live in the hut. The scale in the photograph is used in nutrition surveys to weigh the foods prepared.

After three years at Otterbein, Robert B. Bradfield, x'50, transferred to Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, where he completed special study in the School of Nutrition and earned both a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Nutritional Science degree. In 1955, he received his Ph.D. in biochemistry and nutrition with a minor in physiology and experimental surgery.

Today Dr. Bradfield is working with the International Cooperation Administration, an agency of the U. S. Department of State, as a Foreign Service Staff Officer in Peru. He is a consultant in public health, attached to the Department of Nutrition of the Peru government.

Specifically, Dr. Bradfield is helping the government set up the following plan of work:

1. A series of dietary surveys in the three regions of Peru, (desert, mountain, jungle) to see what the people are eating. These surveys include weighing

the food (three meals a day for a week) of representative families. It also includes complete medical examinations and biochemical analyses of blood samples of the groups.

2. A long term study of the nutritive composition of Peruvian foods. They want to know not only what they are eating but also what the nutritive value of the food is.

3. A study of the role of specific nutrients in the treatment of the parasitic anemia which exists in the jungle areas.



Rev. Charles E. Ashley, '42



Missionary, Charles E. Ashley, '42, with Chinese natives behind the "Bamboo Curtain" in Canton, China.

MISSIONARY BACK FROM CHINA

Rev. Charles E. Ashley, '42, missionary of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Asia, is back in the United States after ten years of service, without a furlough, in South China and Hong Kong.

He first went to China in 1946 and was stationed at Canton, where he taught in the Pui Ying Middle School until South China was taken over by the Communists. When the new regime took command, he had to leave along with other missionaries.

He went to Hong Kong, where a branch of Pui Ying School was opened. The institution has grown until now it has an enrollment of over a thousand students.

In addition to his work as a teacher, Mr. Ashley has taken an active part in the relief agencies which serve the many thousands of Chinese refugees who have fled from the mainland of China to Hong Kong. He has been interested especially in the children of these poverty-stricken people and has raised hundreds of dollars to provide relief in the way of food and clothing. These many years in actual contact with the Communist movement have given him an unusual opportunity to show the superiority of the Christian way of life in meeting and relieving human needs.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED IN 1957

AFTER A NEW RECORD

The Development Board is out to break all records in 1957—the one hundred tenth year of the college.

The highest percentage of alumni participation was in 1954, when 27.1% of all alumni and ex-students made a contribution. That was the year of the special drive for the Boyer Memorial.

Last year the percentage of participation was 24.9%. The goal for 1957 is 30%, which will mean approximately 300 new donors, if all who gave in 1956 repeat their gifts.

BE AN ANNUAL GIVER

Get in the habit of giving every year! The amount given may vary from year to year depending on circumstances, but a gift of some amount every year would enable the college to plan better its program. The college needs are constant, and only regular giving by a larger number of alumni and friends will solve the ever-recurring college financial problems. For every student enrolled Otterbein must raise approximately \$250 to supplement what the student pays.

FIRST APPEAL MADE

Early in March letters went to all alumni and special friends asking for their contributions. If previous donors will respond early, it will enable the Development Office to devote its time to the cultivation of new gifts. If it is inconvenient to make a gift now, space is allowed on the contribution card for the alumnus to indicate when he will likely send his gift.

IT SLIPPED MY MIND!

After the annual report is published each year, the Development Office receives many letters saying "I fully intended to make a gift last year but it slipped my mind." Attend to the matter now for 1957, while it is "fresh in your mind."

ANOTHER BEQUEST

The late Walter Maring, '17, whose death is announced in this issue of *Towers*, remembered Otterbein in his will. Walter was a good friend of Otterbein and was generous in his support of the college program. During the Centennial he established a \$5,000 scholarship fund, the income from which will help worthy young people every year, even though the donor is now gone.

GIFTS TO THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

In recent months five special gifts have been designated for the music department. They are as follows:

In memory of the late Mabel Dunn Hopkins, who taught violin at Otterbein for many years, her husband gave a large portion of her string music library.

In memory of her niece, Doris Judy, Mrs. Eva Michael Marvin, M'98, gave \$100, with the request that it be used for the music department. Her niece was a very gifted vocalist.

Mrs. Vera McKinley White, formerly of Columbus and now of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, contributed a quantity of vocal music.

Mrs. E. T. Hellebrandt, mother of Mary Hellebrandt Russell, '56, gave a violin and a trumpet to the music department.

Mr. Russell Heizer gave another fine gift to the music department in the form of twenty albums of classical music.

Such gifts which make possible a stronger music department, are greatly appreciated.

FOR HOME ECONOMICS

Mrs. Vida Shauck Clements, '01, gave \$3,000 for the renovation of the old Clements House so that it may better serve the department of Home Economics.

CLASS OF '56

(Continued from last issue)

Stine, Mary (Wagner); housewife; 2113 Catalpa Drive, Dayton 6, Ohio

Swartzel, Margaret (Bonnett); Secretary, husband at UTS; 353 N. Robert Boulevard, Dayton, Ohio

Tong, Curtis; coach at Otterbein College, waiting for flight training, USAF; 59 West Broadway, Westerville, Ohio

Valentine, Joanne; music teacher, Circleville, Ohio; 362 Arch Street, Chillicothe, Ohio

Waggamon, Delbert; teacher; R. D. #4, Eaton, Ohio

Wagner, James; United Theological Seminary, awaiting flight training USAF; 2113 Catalpa Drive, Dayton 6, Ohio

Wagner, Mary (Myers); housewife, husband minister; R. D. #1, Hartsville, Ohio

Wagoner, Marsha; secretary, Ohio Title Corporation; 230 Buckeye Street, Marysville, Ohio

Walker, Marjorie (Kassner) housewife; 2736 Mill Creek Road, Mentone, California

Warner, David; USAF Graduate course in Meteorology, MIT, USAFIT; 1780 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Warner, Robert, Jr.; Lt. Air Force Pilot Training; S.P.O., Box 6608 Harlingen A.F.B., Harlingen, Texas

Whipp, James; Platoon Leader's School U. S. Marine Corps; Candidate, 1616415 "C" Co., 3rd Plt., 17th O.C.C., Trng. & Test Reg., Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia

Whitt, Ronald; Post Office Department, Dayton, Ohio; 4409 Genese Avenue, Dayton, Ohio

Wiley, Gertrude; General Electric Plant Receptionist; Rt. #1, Crestline, Ohio

Wilkinson, Robert; Trainee in Cashier's Department, Equitable Life Assurance Company; 1101 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh, North Carolina

Wirth, Gerald; Research and Development Division of Monsanto Chemical Company; 4833 Lauderdale Drive, Dayton 9, Ohio

Wright, Robert; Production Specialist at Wright Patterson AFB, until flight training USAF; 912 Nordale Avenue, Dayton 10, Ohio

Yohn, Joanne; Medical Technologist, Miami Valley Hospital; 105 Ashley Street, Dayton 9, Ohio

Yost, Janet; Elementary School teacher; Rt. #2, Box 315-A, Brookville, Ohio

Young, Richard; United Theological Seminary; Dayton, Ohio

Zellner, Thelma; Secretary to Purchasing Agent of Univis Lens Company; 115 E. Norman Avenue, Apartment 4, Dayton 5, Ohio

Zimmerman, Amy; 4th grade teacher; 37542 Euclid Avenue, Willoughby, Ohio

RECEIVING CIVIC AWARD



Left to right: Norman H. Dohn, '43, Craig Gifford, '57, and Derrill Wolfe, Jaycee President.

MAN OF THE YEAR



Fred L. Beachler, '49, of Hamilton, Ohio, received from the Junior Chamber of Commerce of that city a distinguished service award as Hamilton's outstanding young man of 1956. He is assistant to the Director of Industrial Relations for the Hamilton Division of the Bendix Aviation Corporation.

A tireless, civic-minded citizen, Fred has worked in numerous membership and financial cam-

Craig Gifford, Otterbein senior, received from the Westerville Junior Chamber of Commerce the Distinguished Service Award for 1956. The award is given annually to the young man between 21 and 35 who makes the greatest contribution toward promoting good will in the community.

Gifford, a U. S. Army veteran, is managing editor of the Westerville PUBLIC OPINION. He is a member of Lambda Gamma Epsilon fraternity, the varsity debate team, and the TAN and CARDINAL staff.

Norman H. Dohn, '43, was presented the Civic Award, a similar honor for men over 35. The Sunday Editor of the Columbus DISPATCH, Dohn was given the award as "one of Westerville's finest citizens." He was cited by the Junior Chamber of Commerce for never missing an opportunity to promote Westerville and its many activities.

paings, is an active member of the Presbyterian Church, and is an officer of the Lion's Club and the Industrial Management Club.

ALUMNI MEET IN KYOTO, JAPAN

When the Westminster Choir under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson, '11, appeared last November for a concert at Doshisha Women's College, Kyoto, Japan, Dr. Williamson was surprised to find an Otterbein graduate, Flora Ariga, '52, on the faculty.

Flora writes: "I had the honor of interpreting his greetings to the faculty and student body. In his message, Dr. Williamson said, 'I graduated from Otterbein in 1911 and Miss Ariga graduated in 1952. We are fellow alumni.' There rose a roar of laughter. We were both standing on the stage, a noble looking gentleman with white hair, and a little Miss Ariga."



Flora Ariga, '52, chatting with Dr. John Finley Williamson, '11, in Kyoto, Japan. They met when the famous Westminster Choir, under the direction of Dr. Williamson, was on a far east tour last fall for the State Department.

CLYMER LABORATORY

The Foreign Language Laboratory at Otterbein has been named the Clymer Foreign Language Laboratory in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin L. Clymer, '09. They have been generous in their support of this phase of education at Otterbein.

'04—The Class of 1904 is well remembered on the Otterbein campus. Cowan Hall is named for C. E. Cowan, '04, and Weitkamp Observatory and Planetarium is named for the donor, Dr. A. H. Weitkamp, '04. This class also gives a prize in government and political science each year to an outstanding student.

'15—Dr. G. Stewart Nease, '15, professor of classical languages at Alfred University, Alfred, New York, since 1930, was honored last fall by the University Latin Club there. He has served as faculty advisor to the club since its beginning 25 years ago.

Ray Watts, '15, basketball coach at Baldwin-Wallace College, marked the 400th collegiate basketball game he has coached at B-W on Saturday, March 2. The *Cleveland Press* featured him on the sports pages the day before the game. The 400 games span 22 seasons dating back to 1928. The teams have won 233 games and lost 166 in Watts' colorful reign. They have finished .500 or better in 16 of the 21 years. Ray was a coach at Otterbein for one year, 1919-20.

'22—Paul V. Sprout, '22, was recently elected president of the Electrical League of Cleveland. He is branch manager of the Frigidaire Sales Corporation in Cleveland.

'26—Clyde M. Barnhard, '26, has been honored by his election to the national chapter of the American Institute of Industrial Engineers, Inc. He is on the mechanical and electrical staff of the Cleveland Heights Schools.

'27—Dr. Roy A. Burkhart, '27, recently had his sixteenth book published. It is called "The Freedom to Become Yourself." Nationally known in social and human relations work, Dr. Burkhart's "Laboratory" for his book was the thousand of counseling hours he has had with "people in almost every possible difficulty" since he was ordained in 1929. He is pastor of Columbus' largest Protestant congregation, the 5400-member First Community Church.

Dr. Reginald A. Shipley, '27, is president, and Mrs. Earl R. Hoover, '28, is vice president of the Diabetics Association of Greater Cleveland.

'32—Carl C. Byers, '32, superintendent of Parma public schools for the last 15 years, has resigned that post, effective July 31, to devote full time to public speaking and counseling activities.

'43—Chalmers P. Wylie, x'43, formerly city attorney of Columbus, was appointed by Ohio's new governor, C. William O'Neill, as administrator of the Bureau of Workmen's Compensation.

'44—Dr. Ray W. Gifford, Jr., '44, on the staff at Mayo Clinic, took part in

a symposium on March 6 at the Athletic Club, Columbus, sponsored by the Scientific Council, Central Ohio Heart Association.

Dr. Evan W. Schear, '44, army physician, has been promoted from major to lieutenant colonel. Recently, he received confirmation that he had passed the American Board of Surgery final examination.

'47—William J. Esselstyn, '47, was promoted recently to manage organic intermediates and new product sales for the Chlorinated Products Division of Diamond Alkali Company, Cleveland. In his newly-created position, Esselstyn will hold sales responsibility for Diamond chlorinated intermediates and related organic chemicals. He will also coordinate divisional technical service activities covering Diamond solvents and organic intermediates and supervise bulk-terminal operations on the products.

Richard C. Himes, '47, was recently elected to fill a vacancy on the Westerville School Board. He is assistant chief of the physical chemistry division at Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus. He is also teaching several classes in chemistry at Otterbein this semester while Dr. Michael is on sabbatical leave.

'48—Gerald J. Rone, Jr., '48, is an attorney at Waynesfield, Ohio, and teacher of freshman and sophomore English in the Waynesfield High School.

Melvyn J. Stauffer, '48, is a member of the Flynn, Py and Kruse firm of Sandusky, Ohio, since February 1.

'49—Phyllis Anthony, x'49, is a medical technician at University Hospital, Columbus, working on the Cancer Survey Research Project of the U. S. Public Health Service. The survey is a three-year project being conducted in six cities by the U. S. Public Health Service. Formerly Phyllis was a nurse in Japan for the United States government under Civil Service. Her mother is head resident at King Hall.

Robert Corbin, '49, is heading the commercial division of the 1957 American Red Cross campaign in Montgomery County. The division is sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

'50—Rollin Cox, '50, is one of the co-chairmen of the Fairfield County instrumental clinic being held this spring.

Heidi Schneider Dennis, '50, is pursuing graduate studies at the University of Michigan and doing deputation work in churches for the E.U.B. mission board. She and her husband, Duane Dennis, were missionaries in Africa but, on account of an illness contracted by Mr. Dennis, returned to the United States.

'52—Glenn E. Borkosky, '52, re-

cently released from the Air Force, is now teaching and coaching at New Knoxville, Ohio, High School.

'54—Richard Madison, '54, is the new association program and residence director of the Toledo Central Y.M.C.A.

John M. Sanders, '54, is now working in the Research Center for the Diamond Alkali Company. He is doing analytical work with an infra-red spectrometer in the spectrographic laboratory. He is living in Painesville, Ohio.



John K. Byrum, '55

'55—Private John K. Byrum, '55, recently was named Private of the Month for the Bremerhaven Port of Embarkation in Germany. Byrum, a clerk-typist in the 33rd Station Hospital, was selected on a basis of neatness, knowledge of military subjects, and efficient performance of assigned duties.

Lt. William H. Nottingham, '55, and Lt. Gerald Obernauer, '55, graduated on October 13 with the Jet Fighter Class 57 from the Webb Air Force Base, Big Spring, Texas. Webb AFB is a flying training school for the Air Force. Lt. Nottingham was the honor graduate of his class of seventy-two. Both men were in the first graduating class of the Air Force R.O.T.C. program at Otterbein and were commissioned in the U. S. Air Force upon graduation. While at Otterbein, Lt. Nottingham was the cadet (Lt. Col.) commander of the corps of cadets. Lt. Nottingham has just completed Basic Instructor's School at Craig A. F. B., Georgia, and graduated first, academically, in a class of 31 students. He is now an instructor-pilot at Webb A. F. B., Big Spring, Texas.

Gloria Howard, '55, received the Master of Arts degree from the University of Illinois last February at the mid-year commencement. She is pursuing further graduate studies toward the doctorate in the field of psychology.

CUPID'S CAPERS

1952—Mary Ellen Carroll, '52, and Donald M. Ross, December 2, Akron.

1957—Charlotte L. Keeney, x'57, and John G. Smart, March 16, Westerville.

Jo Ann Silverthorn, x'57, and John Battles, December 24, 1955, Byhalia.

Jean Stubblefield and Larry Sims, x'57, September 22, Anderson, Indiana.

Ruth Jean Williams, '57, and Richard N. Kassner, June 2, Chillicothe.

1957 and **1958**—Donna Edwards, '57, and Charles Hardin, x'58, July 7, Akron.

1957 and **1959**—Barbara Gerber, x'59, and Dean V. Roush, '57, February 3, Strasburg.

1958—Eleanor Abbott and Lewis R. Taylor, x'58, September 16, Scott.

Maxine Bowman, x'58, and Gene Riser, August 18, Dayton.

Donna Lee Hawk, x'58, and Charles D. Moore, February 23, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Carol Williams, x'58, and Rev. Ben G. Grant, x'58, February 1, Akron.

Martha Wren and Robert Faehle, x'58, September 1, Columbus.

STORK MARKET

1940—Mr. and Mrs. Wendell King (Marjorie Bartholomew, '40), daughter, Gathryn Anne, February 14.

1940 and **1943**—Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Anderegg, '40, (Lois Carman, '43), daughter, Dorothy Lois, March 25.

1945 and **1949**—Mr. and Mrs. Don Fouts, x'45, (Doris Peden, '49), daughter, Dora Lynne, January 17.

1948—Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Gressman, '48, daughter, Louanne Camilla, January 4.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Rockhold, '48, son, Jon Davis, March 15.

1948 and **1949**—Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jamison, '48, (Mary Ickes, '49), son, Robert Leo, March 5.

1948 and **1952**—Mr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Rone, Jr., '48, (Patricia A. Rone, x'52), daughter, Leslie, January 3.

1949—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fackler, (Carolyn Sue Ford, '49), daughter, Alice Lou, October 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ice (Mildred Thorpe, '49), daughter, Jana Sue, February 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward K. Wieger (Nancy Weisburger, '49), son, David Michael, March 8.

1950—Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bowman, '50, daughter, Carol Ann, December 15.

1950 and **1951**—Rev. and Mrs. George E. Schreckengost, '50, (Virginia Bartlett, x'51), son, James Martin, January 19.

1952—Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Smith, (Ardine Grable, '52), daughter, Nancie Jayne, March 23, 1953, and son, Michael Greg, October 31, 1956.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith, '52, daughter, Rhonda Carol, December 19.

Rev. and Mrs. Richard Hedges, '52, (Miriam Stockslager, '52), daughter, Martha Sue, January 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Tex Levering, '52, son, James Allen, March 31.

1952 and **1954**—Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Borkosky, '52, (Gwendolyn Copening, x'54), daughter, Beth Anne, September 7.

1953—Mr. and Mrs. Jack B. Boughton, (Mary Ellen Wheeler, x'53), son, Jeffrey Scott, March 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Burt, '53, son, Wayne Frederick III, March 1.

1953 and **1955**—Rev. and Mrs. W. Robert Myers, '53, (Mary Ellen Catlin, '55), son, Richard Kent, February 3.

1954 and **1955**—Mr. and Mrs. William P. Cramer, '55, (Carol Boyles, '54), daughter, Carol Elizabeth, March 5.

1955 and **1956**—Mr. and Mrs. David Kay, '55, (Helen Koehler, x'56), son, Timothy James, January 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilkinson, '56, (Annabeth Sommers, '55), son, Mark Robert, December 19.

1956—Mr. and Mrs. Bill Downey, '56, son, Douglas Earl, December 30.

FACULTY—Mr. and Mrs. James Grissinger, daughter, Beth, January 25.

TOLL OF THE YEARS

1898—Mrs. Charles Bryson (Margaret Bradrick), '98, died February, in Columbus, Ohio.

1899—Mrs. Walter Baker (Florence Rock), '99, died January 10, in Xenia, Ohio.

1901—Mrs. U. M. Roby, '01, died January 11, 1956, in Beach City, Ohio.

1901—James G. Sanders, '01, died March 13, Ft. Meyers, Florida.

1906—Samuel Kundert, x'06, died February 2, in Dayton, Ohio.

William Coleman Rogers, x'15, died September 10, 1956 in St. Petersburg, Florida.

1917—Walter A. Maring, '17, died February 28, in Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

1920—Mrs. Edward J. Cristy (Esta Hamble), x'20, died in January, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

1923—Joseph O. Ranck, '23, died January 3, in Westerville, Ohio.

1928—Lawrence E. Hicks, '28, died January 20, in Columbus, Ohio.

1930—Miss Murl Denning, x'30, died February 17, in Akron, Ohio.

Richard Mark Hall, '30, died October 27, 1956 in Bisbee, Arizona.

ANNUAL REUNION HELD

Ten alumnae of the class of '34 have made a special effort to have a reunion once a year since their graduation from Otterbein. The close friendship began when all ten were assigned to the second floor of Saum Hall in 1930.

A recent occasion (on March 2) for a get-together was to see Mrs. Zelma Shauck Shaffer. Her husband, Lt. Col. (Chaplain) Glen C. Shaffer, has been assigned to a new post near London, England and the family, enroute from Hamilton Air Force Base, California, to England, stopped to visit their son, Lewis, a sophomore at Otterbein.

Gladys Riegel Cheek and Ruth Donaldson Miller entertained the group at a buffet supper at the Millers' Westerville home. Also present were Eleanor Heck Newman, Dayton, Ohio; Martha Dipert Wood, Steubenville, Ohio; Sara Heestand Swallen, Alliance, Ohio; Louise Hollman Onderdonk, Cleveland, Ohio; and Helen Ruth Henry, Connellsville, Pa. Illness prevented Helen Van Sickle Slack, Westerville, and Margaret Bird Pearson, Columbus, Ohio, from attending.



George Washington Jude, '91, is pictured above at a reception in recognition of his 90th birthday on February 22. He is a prominent attorney in Jamestown, New York.

Today Mr. Jude is dean of the Jamestown Bar Association and the Chautauqua County, New York, lawyers. Although about to retire from the active practice of law, he has, until very recently, been in court and tried cases.

Miss Leonie L. Scott
40 Plum Street
Westerville, Ohio

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RESERVATIONS

Your alumni office will be glad to procure over-night accommodations for you either in a tourist home or in a private home.

ALUMNI DAY

The Alumni banquet will be at noon again this year. Class reunions will take place at noon. There will be no evening dinner program.

CLASS REUNIONS

Members of reunion classes should make reservations without fail. You will not be able to sit with your class unless you have made a reservation. The following classes are scheduled for reunions: 1897, 1907, 1912, 1917, 1927, 1932, 1937 and 1947. If requested the alumni office will help other classes to arrange reunions.

SUPPORT OTTERBEIN

Otterbein College welcomes additions to its permanent endowment by bequest, annuity, or direct gifts.

PICTURE TRAYS

Your alumni office has for sale picture trays of Towers Hall. The tray, (12" x 18"), can actually be hung and used as a picture, in addition to being used for serving. It is made of heavy gauge steel and fully protected against acids, water, etc. Price: individually boxed, \$3.50 each, postpaid (add 3% for sales tax in Ohio.)

AUTO EMBLEMS

The alumni office also has a quantity of automobile emblems with the Otterbein College seal in self-illuminating finish. Priced at \$1.00, the emblems can be attached to the trunk lid of your car.

TO BE HONORED

Four persons will receive honorary doctor's degrees at the commencement exercises on Monday, June 3.

The persons to be honored and the degrees to be conferred are as follows: Clayton F. Lutz, '41, Superintendent of the Ohio Southeast Conference, Columbus, Ohio, Doctor of Divinity; Delbert S. Mills, Superintendent of the Ohio Southeast Conference, Columbus, Ohio, Doctor of Divinity; C. Willard Fetter, Pastor, First E.U.B. Church, Akron, Ohio, Doctor of Divinity; and Milburn P. Akers, Executive Editor, Chicago SUN-TIMES, Doctor of Humane Letters. All four are distinguished leaders in their fields of endeavor.

May Day Schedule

Saturday, May 11, 1957

May Morning Breakfast—Cochran Dining Hall	8:00-9:00 A.M.
Coronation of the Queen—City Park	10:30 A.M.
Lunch for all Guests—Barlow Hall	12:00 N.
Alumni Council Meeting—Cochran Dining Hall	12:15 P.M.
Meeting of Development Fund Board	2:00 P.M.
Baseball—Otterbein vs. Wittenberg	2:00 P.M.
Dinner for all Guests—Barlow Hall	5:30-6:30 P.M.
Play—"Angel Street"—Cochran Hall	8:15 P.M.

Flash

The Otterbein Air Force ROTC unit placed 17th, with 932 points, on April 2, in the National Cherry Blossom Festival ROTC Drill Team competition at Washington, D. C. There were 26 colleges participating.

Although Otterbein competed against schools with larger enrollments, they were within 50 points of Clemson, the winner. The only other Ohio college represented, Ohio Wesleyan, ranked 20th.